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September 10, 2000

James A. Pehrkon, Staff director
Federal Election Commission
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Washington, DC 20463

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Dear Mr. Pehrkon;

A private firm, Aristotle International, is selling campaign contribution data from the FEC. It is my understanding that this practice is illegal at this time.

Below are two websites which describe the availability of two databases of campaign donors: one is called "California Gold Rush" and the other one is known as "Fat Cat".

<http://www.aristotle.org/stateContributorLists.asp>

<http://accounting.software-directory.com/cdprod1/swhrec/006/857.shtml>

You can contact Aristotle International at these two locations:

Jay MacAniff
Director of Communications
Aristotle International
2266 Union Street
San Francisco, CA 94123
Telephone: 415-440-1075

Dean Phillips
Aristotle Publishing
205 Pennsylvania Avenue SE
Washington, DC 20003

Please treat this notarized letter as a formal complaint about the practice of selling campaign contribution data substantially derived from FEC sources. I had sent a previous letter on September 10, 2000, but your office rejected that letter as insufficient since it was not notarized.

I hereby swear that I am the individual whose signature appears below.

Sincerely,



Michael Ravnitzky

SUBSCRIBED AND SWORN TO before
me on this 17th day of October, 2000

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